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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re:

Application of Advanced Technology Group, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold and Facilities-Based Local Exchange, Exchange Access and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of South Carolina, and for Alternative and Flexible Regulation

Docket No. 2019-137-C

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the Application of Advanced Technology Group, LLC (the "Company") and believes that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") granting the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity requested is consistent with the public interest.

The ORS Audit and Telecommunications Departments reviewed the Company's application and filings to assess the Company's financial, technical and managerial resources. Based on these reviews, ORS has concluded that the Company possesses the resources needed to provide the services requested and that the Company's request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is consistent with the public interest. *See* S.C. Code § 58-9-280.

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ORS does not intend to attend the hearing scheduled for July 22, 2019. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

C. Lessie Hammonds

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